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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, DC 20231

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed August 19, 2002, Applicants elect to prosecute the subject matter of Group I, identified by Claims 1-13.

It is respectfully noted that Claims 14-19 (Group II) have been cancelled, without prejudice, and, therefore, are not pending in the above-identified application.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments regarding Applicants' amendments or response, (s)he is asked to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at (215) 575-7034. Please direct all correspondence to the below-listed address.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0979.

Respectfully submitted,

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